

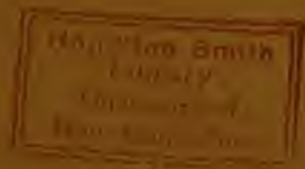
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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OF ALTON, N. H.



For the Fiscal Year Ending January 31,

1939



ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
SELECTMEN
TOWN CLERK
TOWN TREASURER, TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS,
TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY,
COMMISSIONERS OF THE LIGHTING PRECINCT,
WATER COMMISSIONERS
AND THE
SCHOOL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OF ALTON, N. H.
FOR THE
FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31,
1939
WITH THE
VITAL STATISTICS FOR 1938 AS PREPARED
BY THE TOWN CLERK

THE FARMINGTON NEWS PRESS
FARMINGTON, N. H.

FIRE ALARM SIGNALS

BOX NO.	LOCATION
3	Brush fire. Repeat three times.
4	Alton Bay Fire Station.
5	Central Schoolhouse.
6	Town Hall.
12	Campground Store.
13	Alton Bay, near Lester Downing Residence.
24	Main St., corner School St.
26	Main St., Wolfeboro Hill
32	Gilmanton Road, corner Mill St.
41	Bay Schoolhouse.
42	Main St., foot Rollins' Hill.
43	Main St., near Fred Colbath Residence.
2-2-2	Out of town call. All fireman to report at station.
1-1	All out signal.
2	Blasts at 7.30 a. m., no school.
2	Blasts at 7.30 p. m., Fire Dept. meeting.
1	Blast, water to be shut off in thirty minutes.

NOTICE

Brush fire, chimney fire, and all outside fire alarms are to be telephoned to the Alton operator, who will sound the proper alarm, and notify the proper authorities. This will be done by means of a control box now in the central office. State clearly the nature, extent and location of the fire. By complying with the above, much time and property may be saved.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR OPERATING A BOX

Opening a box does not give alarm; pull down handle. Anyone sounding alarm to remain at box to direct fireman. Second alarm to be sounded by order of the chief engineer only. Test alarm every day at 12.45 p. m. Do not sound alarm unless necessary.

LEWIS E. HAYES,
BURTON M. HALE,
ALBERT E. BARNES,

Fire Wards of Alton.

TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen

OLIVER M. COLBY	TERM EXPIRES 1939
LEON T. DODGE	TERM EXPIRES 1940
CHESTER W. LITTLEFIELD	TERM EXPIRES 1941

Clerk

ETHEL W. MORRELL

Treasurer

STELLA F. AYER

Tax Collector

JOHN H. McDUFFEE

Auditors

RAYMOND C. DUNCAN	LEWIS E. HAYES
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Trustees of Trust Funds

CHARLES H. DAVIS	TERM EXPIRES 1939
GEORGE H. JONES	TERM EXPIRES 1940
HARRIET F. VARNEY	TERM EXPIRES 1941

Trustees of Public Library

CHARLES H. DAVIS	TERM EXPIRES 1939
MYRA J. JONES	TERM EXPIRES 1940
ANNIE A. WHEELER	TERM EXPIRES 1941

Precinct Commissioners

JOHN CURRIER	HARRY B. LANG
CHARLES F. CHESLEY	

Representative to the General Court

CHARLES A. ROLLINS

Moderator

FRANK M. AYER

Supervisors of the Check List

JOHN H. McDUFFEE	LILLIAN M. FIFIELD
CHARLES F. CHESLEY	

Constable

ALFRED W. COOLEY

Highway Agent

VANCE C. VARNEY

Health Officer

W. ROCKWELL CLOUGH

TOWN OFFICERS

Fire Wards

LEWIS E. HAYES BURTON HALE

ALBERT E. BARNES

Forest Fire Warden

W. ROCKWELL CLOUGH

Deputy Forest Fire Wardens

ARTHUR D. ROLLINS JOHN W. PROCTOR

RAYMOND C. DUNCAN HAROLD E. PRIME

CHARLES E. ROBERTS ALBERT W. JONES

CLARENCE F. LAMPER

School Board

HARRY E. JONES TERM EXPIRES 1939

OLIVER R. SHATTUCK TERM EXPIRES 1940

ANNIE C. SANBORN TERM EXPIRES 1941

Superintendent

LESTER B. BADGER

Librarian

ANNIE A. WHEELER

Justice of the Municipal Court

FRANK M. AYER

Water Commissioners

LEON T. DODGE TERM EXPIRES 1939

W. ROCKWELL CLOUGH TERM EXPIRES 1940

JOHN H. McDUFFEE TERM EXPIRES 1941

Budget Committee

CLIFTON H. DREW TERM EXPIRES 1939

EDWARD H. DOWNING TERM EXPIRES 1939

ROBERT A. FROHOCK TERM EXPIRES 1939

ARTHUR D. ROLLINS TERM EXPIRES 1940

JOHN W. PROCTOR TERM EXPIRES 1940

W. ROCKWELL CLOUGH, chair. TERM EXPIRES 1940

HARRY E. JONES TERM EXPIRES 1942

FRED T. WILSON TERM EXPIRES 1942

RAYMOND C. DUNCAN, clerk TERM EXPIRES 1942

OLIVER R. SHATTUCK, School Board

OLIVER M. COLBY, Selectman

BUDGET

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing
Year, February 1, 1939, to January 31, 1940, com-
pared with Actual Revenue and Expenditures of the
Previous Year, February 1, 1938, to January 31, 1939.

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	1938 Actual	1939 Estimate
FROM STATE		
Interest and dividends tax	\$3,163.81	\$1,500.00
Insurance tax	3.75	
Railroad tax	205.97	100.00
Savings bank tax	944.26	900.00
For fighting forest fires	19.40	
State relief	403.96	
From county	123.17	
Rebate from forestry dept.	4.70	100.00
Bounties	38.60	45.00
FROM LOCAL SOURCES EXCEPT TAXES		
Business licenses and permits	64.50	25.00
Fines and forfeits, municipal court	163.00	75.00
Rent of town hall and other bldgs.	474.00	400.00
Interest received on taxes and deposits	1,113.34	200.00
Merchandise sold	220.83	
Refund	4,431.61	150.00
Dog licenses	317.08	300.00
Income from municipally owned utilities:		
Water departments, bond paid	1,000.00	2,300.00
Motor vehicle permit fees	1,789.82	1,700.00
FROM LOCAL TAXES OTHER THAN		
PROPERTY TAXES		
Poll taxes	1,318.00	1,200.00
National bank stock taxes	40.25	40.00
Railroad	2,695.00	850.00
Escapements	133.12	200.00
Tax sales redeemed	600.86	600.00
AMOUNT RAISED BY ISSUE OF		
BONDS OR NOTES		
Farmington National Bank, R. R.	17,000.00	
Farmington National Bank, water	8,750.00	
Temporary loans	35,000.00	20,000.00

Cash on hand (Surplus)	3,995.59	
Total revenues from all sources		
except property taxes	\$84,014.62	\$30,185.00
AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY		
PROPERTY TAXES	72,674.44	85,030.38
Total revenues	\$115,215.38	

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES	Actual	Estimate
General government:	1938	1939
Town officers' salaries	\$2,119.22	\$2,200.00
Town officers' expenses	662.74	700.00
Election and registration expenses	412.23	200.00
Municipal court expenses	100.00	125.00
Expenses of town hall and other town buildings	1,298.22	1,400.00
Protection of persons and property:		
Police department	388.98	500.00
Fire department	2,192.45	2,400.00
Moth extermination, blister rust	300.00	100.00
Health:		
Damage by dogs	16.44	25.00
Health department, including hospitals	101.40	100.00
Vital statistics	7.35	15.00
Huggins hospital	300.00	1.00
Highways and bridges:		
Town maintenance, summer	4,045.22	6,500.00
Street lighting	130.35	150.00
General expenses of highway department	2,044.50	1,500.00
Winter	5,893.65	6,000.00
Tarvia		1,500.00
Libraries:		
Libraries	393.60	400.00
Public welfare:		
County	24.00	
Town poor	5,217.69	4,500.00
Old age assistance	2,559.95	3,000.00
Patriotic purposes:		
Old Home Day		1.00
Memorial day and other celebrations	100.00	150.00

Aid to soldiers and their families	622.61	500.00
Recreation:		
Winter sports	402.18	500.00
Parks and playgrounds, including band concerts	50.59	200.00
Public service enterprises:		
Lakes Region Assn.	195.00	1.00
Bounties	41.60	45.00
Railroad	19,511.77	
Interest:		
On temporary loans	167.73	300.00
Highway	1,341.95	1,204.76
On long term notes, water	274.50	240.00
On principal of trust funds used by town, water	537.50	537.50
OUTLAY FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION AND PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS		
Highways and bridges:		
Damages and legal expense	99.26	100.00
State aid construction—town's share, T. R. A.	1,186.84	663.12
Alton mountain	1,055.86	1.00
Water works construction	8,751.25	1,000.00
Sidewalk construction		225.00
Wind and W. P. A.	1,110.52	1,000.00
Taxes bought	1,779.54	1,000.00
Abatements	496.38	500.00
INDEBTEDNESS		
Payment on principal of debt:		
Long term notes, pumper	1,000.00	
Highway	3,429.80	3,567.00
To restore trust funds, water	1,000.00	2,300.00
Payment to sinking funds, R. R.	500.00	850.00
Temporary loans	35,000.00	20,000.00
PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS		
State taxes	4,104.00	5,000.00
County taxes	17,024.41	25,000.00
Payments to precincts	1,919.91	2,000.00
Payments to school districts	26,313.15	20,514.00
Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1939	464.72	
Total expenditures	\$156,689.06	\$115,215.38
Approved by the budget committee		
W. ROCKWELL CLOUGH, Chairman.		
RAYMOND C. DUNCAN, Secretary		

ALTON TOWN WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the town of Alton, in the county of Belknap, in said state, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said Alton, on Tuesday, the fourteenth day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay all necessary charges of the town for the ensuing year.

Article 2. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the repairs of highways and bridges for the year ensuing, in addition to that required by law.

Article 3. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to borrow necessary monies in anticipation of taxes.

Article 4. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the decoration of soldiers' graves.

Article 5. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the public library, in addition to that required by law.

Article 6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$663.12, provided that the state will contribute \$2,652.47, for Class V roads, so called.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00, to be expended for winter sports, and that the selectmen be instructed to appoint a committee of three to expend the same. (By request).

- Article 8. To see if the town will vote to construct a sidewalk from the store of F. J. McGrath to the Post Office at Alton Bay, raising the necessary funds and appointing a committee to expend the same. (By petition).
- Article 9. To see what action the town will take relative to changing the method of choosing a highway agent. (By request).
- Article 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00, to be expended under state supervision, for the control of the white pine blister rust. (By request).
- Article 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for the control of brown tail and gypsy moths, in cooperation with the State Forestry and Recreation Department. (By request).
- Article 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to gravel and tar Mountain road, so called, starting at the point where the gravel and tar left off last year, continuing on past the house of Albert D. Morse to the corner gate, so called, which is about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile, and to tar that portion of the Mountain road already hard surfaced. (By petition).
- Article 13. To see if the town will vote to allow a discount on all property taxes for 1939 assessment, two per cent to August 31, and one per cent to September 30 inclusive.
- Article 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for an Old Home Day celebration. (By request).
- Article 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to the Lakes Region Association of New Hampshire for the issuance and distribution of printed matter calling attention to the resources and natural advantages of the town, in cooperation with other towns in the Lakes Region. (By request).
- Article 16. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the aid of the Hugins hospital at Wolfeboro. (By request).

Article 17. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the aid of the Laconia hospital. (By request).

Article 18. To see if the town will authorize the Water Commissioners to sell the pumping station and land at Alton Bay and the revenue to be applied to reduce the water debt. (By request).

Article 19. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

Article 20. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year, to elect one selectman for three years, one library trustee, one trustee of trust funds and one water commissioner for the ensuing three years.

Given under our hands and seal this 27th day of February, 1939.

OLIVER M. COLBY,

LEON T. DODGE,

CHESTER W. LITTLEFIELD,

Selectmen of Alton.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Valuation April 1, 1938

Real estate, 35,605 acres	\$1,837,462.00
Electric plants	71,200.00
Personal estate	107,208.00

Total valuation	\$2,015,870.00
Amount exempted to soldiers	19,415.00

	Number	
Oxen	6	270.00
Horses	103	6,750.00
Cows	227	12,250.00
Neat stock	47	1,355.00
Sheep	5	30.00
Fowls	6,745	4,278.00
Portable mills	10	800.00
Boats, launches and canoes	170	41,150.00
Wood and lumber not stock in trade		5,130.00
Gasoline pumps and tanks		2,665.00
Stock in trade		29,150.00
Mills and machinery		2,500.00

\$106,328.00

Total town taxes (rate \$35.00 on \$1,000)	\$70,555.44
785 polls at \$2.00	1,570.00
Total precinct tax (rate \$2.90 on \$1,000)	1,849.00
National bank stock tax	40.25

Total taxes charged to collector \$74,014.69

TAXES RAISED FOR THE YEAR 1938

State tax	\$4,104.00
County tax	19,024.42
School tax	20,945.00
Firemen's tax	105.00
Library tax	393.00
Highway tax	5,661.39
Highway notes and interest	4,771.75
Town tax	21,965.00
Memorial day tax	100.00

Winter sports	\$1,000.00
Blister rust and gypsy moth	300.00
Interest and discount	1,394.89
Total town and school appropriation	<u>\$77,765.05</u>

LESS ESTIMATED REVENUE AND CREDITS

Interest and dividend tax	\$2,114.20
Railroad tax	200.00
Savings bank tax	1,000.00
Motor vehicle fees	1,700.00
Miscellaneous	582.16
Insurance	3.00

\$5,599.36

\$72,165.69

Less poll taxes, 789 polls	\$1,570.00
National bank stock tax	40.25

\$1,610.25

Amt. to be raised by property taxes on which town tax rate is figured	<u>\$70,555.44</u>
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Taxes to be committed to collector:

Resident town tax	\$33,502.12
Non-resident town tax	37,093.57

Poll taxes	\$1,570.00
National bank stock tax	40.25
Precinct taxes	1,849.00

Total taxes charged to collector \$74,014.69

Town rate, \$3.50 on \$100

Average rate, \$3.59 on \$100

Precinct rate, \$0.29 on \$100

ASSETS

In hands of treasurer	\$464.72
Due from town of Gilmanton	50.00
Due from state, bounties	41.60
Taxes bought by town	1,779.54
Maurice Bennett, tarvia	5.28
Harold Varney	5.78
Charles Rollins	6.93

Albert Clough	8.67	
Albert Barnes	2.81	
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Total assets		\$2,560.48
Excess of liabilities over assets, net debt		83,034.91
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Grand total		\$85,595.39

LIABILITIES

Balance due school district	\$8,525.00	
Bal. unexpended on T. R. A.	98.59	
Winter sports	402.82	
Long term notes outstanding:		
State highway note	30,118.98	
Notes payable serially:		
Farmington National Bank,		
(water)	8,750.00	
Trustees of trust funds (water)	16,500.00	
Emily A. Francis (water)	700.00	
Alma L. Lathrop (water)	500.00	
Farmington National Bank,		
(railroad)	17,000.00	
Lillian M. Fifield (water)	1,000.00	
Gertrude W. Varney (water)	1,000.00	
Emily A. Francis and Stella F.		
Ayer (water)	1,000.00	
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		\$85,595.39
Net debt January 31, 1938	\$83,582.34	
Net debt January 31, 1939	83,034.91	
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Decrease of debt		\$547.43

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description	Value
Town hall, land and buildings	\$30,000.00
Furniture and equipment	5,000.00
Library and equipment	1,500.00
Department property:	
Fire dept., land and buildings	2,500.00
Apparatus	12,500.00
Highway department:	
Tractor house and shed	3,000.00
Plows and equipment	3,000.00
Steam roller	4,000.00

All other property and equipment:

Snow fence	1,500.00
Gravel banks	250.00
Place lot and stable	2,500.00
Wm. Charlesworth Levey Park	5,000.00
Public wharf	2,000.00
Marine bandstand	1,000.00
Water works system	48,715.26
Railroad property	25,000.00

\$148,365.26

Land and buildings acquired through
tax collector's deeds:

Box factory land, four acres	\$500.00
Bubier place, one-fourth acre	400.00

\$900.00

SCHEDULE OF SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPERTY

Description	Value
High school buildings, land and hothouse	\$22,000.00
Bay school buildings	3,000.00
Rural school buildings	500.00
Furniture and apparatus	4,000.00

\$29,500.00

\$177,865.26

OLIVER M. COLBY,
LEON T. DODGE,
CHESTER W. LITTLEFIELD,
Selectmen of Alton.

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

LEWIS E. HAYES,
RAYMOND C. DUNCAN,

Auditors.

Where the Average Town and City Dollar Came From During the Fiscal Year Ending Jan. 31, 1938, in Comparison with the Town of Alton Dollar

	ENTIRE STATE		TOWN OF ALTON	
	Total Receipts	Proportion of Average Dollar	Total Receipts	Proportion of Average Dollar
CURRENT REVENUE				
From local taxes, including property and poll taxes, taxes on National Bank stock	\$19,554,567.37	\$.765	\$78,081.50	\$.679
From State:				
Interest and dividends tax	672,335.05	.026	334.14	.011
Insurance tax	33,036.61	.001	.93	.000
Railroad tax	227,290.69	.009	234.41	.002
Savings Bank & Building and Loan Assn. taxes	455,286.27	.018	1,142.56	.010
From Local Sources Except Taxes:				
Dog licenses	68,251.60	.003	409.00	.004
Business licenses and permits	52,426.90	.002	19.50	.000
Fines and forfeits, municipal court	51,101.10	.002	66.50	.001
Rent of town property	61,960.81	.003	574.25	.005
Interest on deposits and overdue taxes	158,873.69	.006	217.69	.002
Income from trust funds	86,535.68	.003		
Income from departments	371,902.74	.015	1,268.86	.011
Appropriations from municipally owned utilities	616,240.82	.024		
Motor vehicle permits	522,941.91	.020	1,786.53	.015
Miscellaneous, including National Forest Reserve	9,787.60	.000		

RECEIPTS OTHER THAN CURRENT REVENUE

Bonds and long term notes	1,906,517.49	.075	29,000.00	.252
Withdrawals from sinking funds				
to apply on principal of debt	47,788.81	.002		
Insurance adjustments, refunds, and gifts	395,678.71	.016	262.02	.002
Sale of town property acquired by tax deeds	61,593.51	.002		
Grants from U. S. government	200,370.90	.008		

Totals

\$25,557,488.26	\$1,000	\$114,984.07	\$1,000
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How the Average Town and City Dollar Was Spent During the Fiscal Year Ending Jan. 31, 1938, in Comparison With the Town of Alton Dollar

	ENTIRE STATE		TOWN OF ALTON	
	Total Expenditures	Proportion of Average Dollar	Total Expenditures	Proportion of Average Dollar
General government, including town officers' salaries and expenses, election and registration expenses, municipal court expenses, expenses of town buildings	\$1,111,675.48	\$.044	\$4,321.77	\$.040
Protection of Persons and Property, including police and fire departments, including forest fires, moth extermination and white pine blister rust, damage by dogs	1,595,311.29	.063	2,066.21	.018
Health, including health department, hospitals, vital statistics, sewer maintenance	601,182.38	.024	425.41	.004

Highways:				
Construction	4,199,574.32	.167	14,742.34	.130
Maintenance, including street lighting	1,005,458.23			
Libraries	3,194,116.09			
Public welfare	237,850.73	.009	393.60	.004
Patriotic purposes	1,468,761.87	.058	5,824.14	.051
Recreation, including parks and playgrounds, band concerts	89,810.05	.004	348.58	.005
Public service enterprises, including water and electric utilities, markets, scales, cemeteries	185,109.42	.007	631.85	.006
Taxes bought by town	647,403.39	.026	522.00	.005
Unclassified, including damages, legal expenses, discounts and abatements and miscellaneous	641,357.44	.026	959.00	.008
Interest	247,231.65	.010	2,060.57	.018
Indebtedness	479,019.49	.019	2,652.86	.023
New buildings, new equipment, lands, sewers, etc.	1,506,233.24	.060	5,297.88	.047
State taxes	968,289.45	.039	28,350.00*	.250
County taxes	1,599,875.02	.064	5,472.00	.048
Precinct taxes	2,873,959.12	.114	19,569.63	.173
School taxes	236,901.67	.009	1,907.00	.017
	6,471,912.24	.257	17,336.00	.153
Totals	\$25,161,458.25	\$1.000	\$113,280.84	\$1.000
				*Includes Water Works Construction.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Amount collected for auto permits	\$1,789.82	
Collecting 549 at 25c	133.25	
		\$1,656.57
Dog licenses 1938-39:		
93 males at \$2.00	\$186.00	
17 females at \$5.00	85.00	
4 kennels	39.00	
3 spayed	7.08	
		\$317.08
113 dogs and 4 kennels at 20c	\$22.60	
Postage paid and notices	.87	
		\$23.47

ETHEL W. MORRELL,

Town Clerk.

February 24, 1939.

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

RAYMOND C. DUNCAN,

LEWIS E. HAYES,

Auditors.

TAX COLLECTORS' REPORTS

Amount charged to collector:

Property taxes	\$72,404.44
Poll taxes	1,570.00
National bank stock tax	40.25
	\$74,014.69

PAYMENTS

Cash paid to treasurer	\$71,775.89
Taxes bought by town	1,742.42
Abatements	496.38
	\$74,014.69

Detail of payments other than 1938

taxes charged to collector:	.
Paid to treasurer, interest on	
1938 taxes	\$81.35
Paid to treasurer, back taxes	618.86
Paid to treasurer, interest on	
back taxes	60.49
Paid to treasurer, escapement taxes	133.12
	\$893.82

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN H. McDUFFEE,

Collector.

February 24, 1939

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

RAYMOND C. DUNCAN,

LEWIS E. HAYES,

Auditors.

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand February 1, 1938	\$3,995.59
Received from collector:	
1938 taxes	74,014.69
Interest on 1938 taxes	81.35
Back taxes	679.35
Escapement taxes	133.12
All other sources	77,784.96
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	\$156,689.06

PAYMENTS

Paid on orders of selectmen	\$156,224.34
Cash on hand January 31, 1939	464.72
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	\$156,689.06

Respectfully submitted,
STELLA F. AYER,

Treasurer.

February 24, 1939.

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

RAYMOND C. DUNCAN,
LEWIS E. HAYES,

Auditors.

CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES

General government:	
1. Town officers' salaries	\$2,119.22
2. Town officers' expenses	662.74
3. Election and registration	412.23
4. Municipal court	100.00
5. Town hall	1,298.22
Protection of persons and property:	
6. Police department	388.98
7. Fire department	2,192.45
8. Bounties	41.60
9. Damage by dogs	16.44
10. Moth extermination	300.00
Health:	
11. Health department, including hospitals	401.40
12. Vital statistics	73.50
Highways and bridges:	
13. Winter work	5,893.65
14. Town maintenance	4,045.22
15. Street lighting	130.35
16. General expense of highway department	2,044.50
17. Wind	642.48
Education:	
18. Library	393.60
Charities:	
19. Old age assistance	2,559.95
20. Town poor	5,217.69
Patriotic purposes:	
22. Memorial day	100.00
23. Aid to soldiers	622.61
Recreation:	
24. Parks and playgrounds	647.77
Unclassified:	
25. R. R.	20,011.77
26. Damages and legal expenses	99.26
27. Taxes bought by town	1,779.54
28. W. P. A. project	468.04

29. Discounts allowed	183.32
30. Abatements	697.23
Interest:	
31. Interest on notes	2,818.06
Outlay for new construction and permanent improvements:	
32. Alton Mountain road	1,055.86
34. Water works, extension	8,001.25
36. T. R. A. Class V	1,186.84
Indebtedness:	
37. Paid on temporary loans	35,000.00
38. Paid on serial notes	22,929.80
Payments to other governmental divisions:	
40. Taxes paid to state	4,104.00
41. Taxes paid to county	17,024.41
42. Taxes paid to precinct	1,919.91
43. School district	26,313.15
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Total payments for all purposes	\$156,224.34
Cash on hand January 31, 1939	464.72
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Grand total	\$156,689.06

DETAIL STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

DETAIL 1 TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Selectmen:	
Oliver M. Colby	\$500.00
Leon T. Dodge	450.00
Chester W. Littlefield	400.00
Clerk:	
Ethel W. Morrell	205.22
Treasurer:	
Stella F. Ayer	150.00
Collector:	
John H. McDuffee	350.00
Auditors:	
Raymond C. Duncan	32.00
Lewis E. Hayes	32.00
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	\$2,119.22

DETAIL 2 TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

E. C. Eastman, supplies	\$18.03
Effie McDuffee, copying	5.00
E. R. Wright, town officers' bonds	122.50
Association of N. H. Assessors, dues	2.00
The Jones Agency, bonds	40.00
Thelma V. Colby, copying inventory	25.00
Ethel W. Morrell, supplies	7.44
Stella F. Ayer, expenses	5.60
John McDuffee, postage and expenses	59.00
Union Telephone Co., service	8.80
Burroughs Adding Machine, rebuilt machine and supplies	80.20
Oliver M. Colby, expenses	33.45
Leon T. Dodge, expenses	22.85
Chester W. Littlefield, expenses	15.62
Farmington News, town reports, payroll sheets, vouchers	217.25

\$662.74

DETAIL 3 ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Lewis E. Hayes, ballot inspector	\$16.00
Raymond C. Duncan, ballot inspector	4.00
Pythian Sisters, dinners	26.00
A. E. Fish Co., voting booths	35.28
Alfred W. Cooley, tending gate	12.00
Earle S. Varney, ballot inspector	12.00
Charles F. Chesley, supervisor	66.00
Lillian Fifield, supervisor	74.00
Farmington News, check list	40.00
Coffee Shop, meals at primary	7.95
John H. McDuffee, supervisor	64.00
Harriet F. Varney, inspector	16.00
Frank M. Ayer, moderator	15.00
Ethel W. Morrell, clerk	24.00

\$412.23

DETAIL 5 TOWN HALL AND OTHER BUILDINGS

Jones Agency, insurance	\$130.00
White Mt. Power Co., supplies	1.80

Boulia-Gorrell Co., strapping	20.00
Penn Culvert Co., steel ceiling	64.19
Walter J. George, labor	142.82
Herbert Morrell Agency, insurance	54.76
Russell Berry, 9 cords wood	58.50
Alton Coal and Supply, coal	20.52
Walter George, janitor	361.25
J. Jones & Son, supplies	19.64
Fred Lovett, chopping wood	15.00
Rochester Germicide Co., compound	12.75
Walter George, Jr., repairs	2.50
C. A. Barnes, 4 cord slabs	12.00
Herbert J. Davis, 5 cords wood	35.00
Paul E. Buckley, supplies	19.10
E. J. York, sash	3.90
Clement Littlefield, repairing roof	35.00
Alton Water Works, meter	53.54
Union Telephone, service	84.18
White Mt. Power Co., service	151.77

\$1,298.22

DETAIL 6 POLICE DEPARTMENT

Alfred Cooley, police service	\$304.35
W. S. Daley & Co., badges	9.68
John Valleton, search for woman	2.00
Chas. F. Chesley, police duty	27.00
E. C. Eastman, supplies	.45
Alfred W. Lougee, service, Jan.	4.20
Walter J. George	41.30

\$388.98

DETAIL 7 FIRE DEPARTMENT

Standard Oil Co., Hose No. 2	\$82.16
White Mt. Power Co., work and supplies	51.99
Boston Woven Hose, Hose No. 1	140.00
W. R. Clough, expenses	10.02
Ernest J. Griffin, hydrants	6.80
Gamewell Co., hose and voltmeter	66.82
A. L. Postman, supplies	9.75
Wyman's Garage, supplies and labor	20.15
Forestry Dept. N. H., portable pumps	22.50

Frank M. Ayer, insurance	87.29	
Walter Leighton, Fire Dept. axes	2.50	
Downing's Garage, Hose No. 2	143.21	
Ethel W. Morrell, insurance	176.00	
Robert W. Cooley, repair fire alarm	10.00	
Lewis E. Hayes, repair fire alarm	10.00	
Burton M. Hale, repair on lines	7.00	
City of Rochester, fire boxes	10.00	
Roy Gassett, repairing chimney	6.25	
J. Jones & Son, supplies	1.14	
H. Buchanan, repairing alarm	12.00	
Chester W. Littlefield, payroll,		
Hose No. 1	121.85	
Alton Water Works, hydrants	535.50	
A. W. Jones, payroll, Hose No. 2	68.20	
Walter J. George	25.00	
Albert E. Barnes, fire ward	5.00	
Lewis E. Hayes, fire ward	5.00	
Burton M. Hale, fire ward	5.00	
W. Rockwell Clough, fire ward	5.00	
Casellini-Venable Corp.	296.89	
Arthur H. Blanchard, supplies	65.75	
W. R. Clough, payroll and releases	176.68	
W. R. Clough, work on alarm system	7.00	
		\$2,192.45

DETAIL 9 DAMAGE BY DOGS

Wheeler & Clark, dog tags and books	\$10.14	
Alfred W. Cooley, service	6.30	
		\$16.44

DETAIL 10 MOTH EXTERMINATION AND BLISTER RUST

W. F. Tuttle, spraying trees	\$100.00	
State Forest Dept.,		
moth extermination	200.00	
		\$300.00
Town program:		
Crew cost	\$195.30	
Foreman cost	50.00	
Total expended		\$245.30

Received from town	\$200.00	
Expended from town funds	195.30	
Balance due town		\$4.70
Area covered	286 acres	
Currant and gooseberry bushes destroyed	672	
DETAIL 11 HEALTH DEPARTMENT		
Ernest Griffin, care of dump	\$66.40	
W. Rockwell Clough, health officer	35.00	
Huggins hospital, Article No. 11	300.00	
		\$401.40
DETAIL 12 VITAL STATISTICS		
E. R. Wright, M. D.	\$1.00	
Ethel W. Morrell	6.35	
		\$7.35
DETAIL 14 TOWN MAINTENANCE		
District No. 1, Vance C. Varney, payroll, from village to Gilmanton line	\$503.17	
District No. 2, Vance C. Varney, payroll, from railroad bridge to Wolfeboro line	1,248.61	
District No. 3, Vance C. Varney, payroll, from state road to Gilmanton line, Alton mountain	944.64	
District No. 4, Vance C. Varney, payroll, Lamprey corner to Gilford line, Woodlands, Smith's Point	211.40	
District No. 5, Vance C. Varney, payroll, Morrison's corner to New Durham line	81.35	
District No. 6, Vance C. Varney, payroll, Stockbridge corner to New Durham line	189.50	
District No. 7, Vance C. Varney, payroll, Stockbridge corner to Gilmanton line	177.30	

District No. 8, Vance C. Varney, payroll, from Flemming's corner to Seward's corner, to Conway's corner	237.72
District No. 9, Vance C. Varney, payroll, from Conway's corner to New Durham line	161.68
District No. 10, from Loon Cove to Roy Paige's, including Spring street	289.82
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	\$4,045.22

DETAIL 16 GENERAL EXPENSE OF HIGHWAY

Casellini-Venable Corp., plow and parts	\$530.33
R. C. Hazelton Co. snow plow shoes	70.00
C. H. Drew, general expenses	66.65
Downing's Garage, repairs and supplies	284.97
George Avery, labor	3.20
V. C. Varney, general expenses	63.46
J. Jones & Son, supplies	91.80
Prison Industries, culvert pipe	87.88
H. P. Maxfield, dynamite	9.66
Wyman's Garage, repairs and supplies	163.54
Myron Lamper, drainage Factory street	44.35
The Barrett Co., tarvia	235.62
Ray Road Equipment, sand spreader	35.00
H. G. & Clara M. Hayes, gravel and trees	20.30
Paul E. Buckley, supplies	.80
Ethel W. Morrell, insurance	40.50
State Highway Dept., cold patch	72.00
Kathevine & Cammon, gravel	19.90
American Express	5.02
Chester Lamper, labor	19.60
Albert Yeaton	7.00
Boston & Maine	2.12
Clarence A. Barnes, sand	11.30
John Card, ties	3.00

Lottie Rhines, sand	2.00	
Colby Construction Co., bridge plank	115.43	
Casellini-Venable Corp., parts	39.07	
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Total		\$2,044.50

DETAIL 17 HURRICANE DAMAGE

Vance Varney, payroll	\$193.30	
Vance Varney, payroll	322.90	
Vance Varney, payroll	41.75	
Vance Varney, payroll	8.80	
Vance Varney, payroll	5.60	
John B. Varick, damage to alarm system	70.13	
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		\$642.48

DETAIL 19 OLD AGE

Belknap County	\$1,176.25	
State of N. H.	1,383.70	
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		\$2,559.95

DETAIL 20 TOWN POOR

State Cancer Commission	\$66.02	
James A. Miller, supplies	96.00	
H. A. Perkins, wood	24.25	
Vance C. Varney	12.37	
F. B. Kilbourn, supplies	28.50	
N. H. Children's Aid	216.00	
Arthur Higgins, services	26.00	
Arthur Hurd, wood	27.00	
Arthur Dowes, services	12.00	
Charles Trickey, rent	45.00	
Chester W. Littlefield, supplies	778.92	
Wentworth hospital	74.37	
Walter Leighton, services	5.00	

James B. Hayes, supplies	2.95
Albert Morse, wood	16.00
Laura Canney, services	11.00
Emma Hanson, board	10.00
Howard Dickie, fuel oil	4.50
F. M. Ayer & Co., supplies	21.53
Dr. Ralph W. Tuttle, services	147.00
Dr. Paul Dye, services	310.00
Dr. John Hunter, services	45.00
Huggins Memorial Hospital	280.00
C. P. Barr, milk	14.44
Belknap County	343.42
F. J. McGrath, supplies	21.93
Alton Bay Campmeeting Assn., rent	110.00
Willette Ricker, board	168.00
Leon Dore, hauling wood	6.25
Dwight Drew, services	1.55
George Clark, services	5.00
John Valleton, services	1.25
Alton Water Works, pumping well	6.00
Fred Lovett, cutting wood	15.00
Forrest Nutter, milk	13.90
Harvey Perkins, services	5.00
Dr. J. E. Dunham, extracting teeth	21.00
Oliver Colby, expenses	2.00
Belknap County Farm, board	365.00
Clarence Tuttle, splitting wood	10.40
John Sawyer, burial service	16.00
S. Waldo Brown, funeral	70.00
Mrs. Fred Drew, board	15.00
A. W. LaBlanc, rent	10.00
Benlah Philbrick, rent	84.00
Clarence Locke, wood	46.75
E. G. Rand & Son, supplies	105.00
L. T. Dodge, salary and expenses	74.48
Strafford County, board	33.60
J. Jones & Son, supplies	1,182.31
Herbert Waples, milk	156.96
Farmington Laundry, services	3.73
John Nisson Baking Co., supplies	18.95
Gray Petroleum Co., fuel oil	18.00
W. A. Crosby, milk	9.36
Herman E. Johnson, hauling wood	4.00

\$5,217.69

DETAIL 23 SOLDIERS' AID

Frank Simonds, services	\$1.60
H. A. Perkins, wood	9.50
F. B. Kilborn, supplies	19.50
Walter Leighton, services	3.00
Dr. John Hunter, services	15.00
Dr. Harry B. Luke, services	5.10
Dr. Ralph Tuttle, services	9.00
C. B. Davis, glasses	10.80
L. T. Dodge, expenses	3.60
Alton Bay Campmeeting Assn., rent	120.00
W. C. Varney, milk	47.52
Herbert Waples, milk	65.04
J. Jones & Son, supplies	297.65
Wentworth hospital, services	15.30

\$622.61

DETAIL 24 PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Myron Lamper, work on parks	\$17.15
Leon T. Dodge, supplies	2.00
White Mt. Power Co., service	6.00
W. H. Errock, repairing bandstand	23.44
Rufus Drew, loam for park	2.00
Lakes Region Assn., special article	195.00
Malcolm Flanders, winter sports payroll	119.40
Oliver R. Shattuck, winter sports payroll	273.98
R. C. Duncan, winter sports payroll	8.80

\$647.77

DETAIL 26 DAMAGES AND LEGAL EXPENSES

Elizabeth H. Sanborn, search for mortgage	\$13.00
B. & M. Railroad, final wharf rent	.92
Elizabeth Sanborn, transfer cards	32.34
Carroll W. Stafford, list of deceased	1.50
C. W. Littlefield, expenses	.50
Harry Glidden, "Jack Lot"	50.00
John H. McDuffee, expenses	1.00

\$99.26

DETAIL 28 W. P. A. BRUSH CLEARANCE

Alfred W. Cooley, time keeper and payroll	\$80.00
Alfred W. Cooley, payroll	110.00
Alfred W. Cooley, payroll	106.25
Alfred W. Cooley, payroll	82.80
Alfred W. Cooley, payroll	56.34
Leon T. Dodge, supplies	6.79
J. Jones & Son, supplies	25.86
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	\$468.04

DETAIL 31 INTEREST ON NOTES

Lincoln R. Young, temporary loan	\$73.96
Farmington National Bank, temporary loan	93.77
Lillian Fifield, water	35.00
State of N. H., highway note	1,341.95
Waldo Varney, water	35.00
Ellsworth Rollins Est., pumper	35.00
Emily A. Francis	24.50
Gertrude W. Varney, water	35.00
E. A. Francis and S. F. Ayer, water	35.00
Carrie B. Carpenter	60.00
Alma L. Lathrop	15.00
Trustee of Trust Funds, water	537.50
John H. McDuffee	496.38
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	\$2,818.06

DETAIL 37 TEMPORARY LOAN PAYMENTS

Lincoln R. Young	\$10,000.00
Farmington National Bank	5,000.00
Farmington National Bank	10,000.00
Farmington National Bank	10,000.00
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	\$35,000.00

DETAIL 38 BONDS AND TERM NOTE PAYMENTS

N. H. State highway	\$3,429.80
Waldo C. Varney Est.	1,000.00
Ellsworth Rollins Est.	1,000.00
H. C. Horne & Co., R. R.	17,500.00
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	\$22,929.80

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF ALTON, N. H.

Date of Creation	TRUST FUNDS—Purpose of Creation		HOW INVESTED		Amt of Principal	Rate of Interest	Balance of Income on hand at beginning of year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance of Income on hand at end of year
1901 Aug 1	Herbert I and Leonard Nute,	Carrie B Nute	donors cemetery fund	"	\$250	3.	3 05	7 50	7 50	2 80
1909 Feb 12	Sarah J I Evans	Sarah J I Evans	"	"	100	3.	1 58	3 07	3 50	1 08
1910 Sept 28	Betsey J Frohock	Betsey J Frohock	"	"	100	3.	3 15	3 00	4 50	1 65
1911 Jan 28	Emeline R Avery	Emeline R Avery	"	"	500	3.	22 20	15 00	16 70	20 50
1913 Feb 15	Alonzo S French	Alonzo S French	"	"	150	3.	04	4 50	4 50	04
1925 June 3	James W Durgin	James W Durgin	"	"	100	3.	2 27	3 00	5 00	27
1932 Oct 1	Davis and Gooding	Lydia A Rannels	"	"	100	3.	01	3 00	3 00	01
1911 Sept 5	Lydia A Rannels	Willis H Glidden Est	"	"	100	3.	53	3 00	3 00	1 00
1933 Feb 1	Willis H Glidden	Lafayette Canney	"	"	100	3.	58	3 00	3 00	33
1933 Feb 1	Lafayette Canney	Irad B Gilman	"	"	200	3.	2 15	6 00	7 23	4 88
1933 June 1	Irad B Gilman	Ida F Nute	"	"	100	3.	1 75	3 00	3 00	20
1933 June 1	Ida F Nute	James B Woodman	"	"	100	3.	59	3 00	2 50	75
1934 Sept 1	John F Hanson	Abbie H Elkins	"	"	500	5.	1 58	27 50	3 50	1 58
1935 Aug 1	Hezekiah Sleeper	Abbie H Elkins	"	"	100	5.	13 05	22 00	22 00	13 45
1936 Jan 1	Naham Lamprey	Evaline L Palmer	"	"	400	3.	1 23	22 23	3 00	1 48
1904 June 4	George W Berry	Naham Lamprey Est.	"	"	75	3.	3.	3 50	3 50	3.
1911 Jan 28	George W Berry	Evaline L Palmer	"	"	100	3.	3.	3 00	3 00	3.
1911 Nov 12	Ellen Jones	George W Berry estate	"	"	100	3.	3.	3 00	3 00	3.
1911 Aug 21	Stephen C Wentworth	Ellen Jones	"	"	100	3.	3.	3 00	3 00	3.
1913 Feb 15	Jonathan H Downing	Stephen C Wentworth	"	"	100	3.	3.	3 00	3 00	3.
1914 Feb 15	Daniel M & John F Perkins	Jonathan H Downing	"	"	100	3.	3.	3 00	3 00	3.
1916 July 21	Daniel M & John F Perkins	Daniel M & John F Perkins	"	"	100	3.	3.	3 00	3 00	3.
1917 May 16	Minerva B Sanborn	Marietta Twombly	"	"	350	3.	3.	3 00	3 00	3.
1919 Dec 31	Sarah J Clark	Minerva B Sanborn	"	"	400	3.	16 97	12 00	15 00	13 97
1920 June 11	Lewis P Varney, Geo Scott Rhines	Sarah J Clark	"	"	200	3.	2 67	4 00	8 00	67
		LP Varney, GS Rhines	"	"						

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1936	May 2	Lewis E Avery	Lewis E Avery, donor, sidewalks fund	Deposited N H Savings Bank	\$1000	2.5	\$321 32	16 98	338 30
1936	May 2	Edwin F Cate	Edwin F Cate " highways fund	" Town of Alton Note	5000	2.5	250 00	30 00	30 00
1936	July 1	Herbert L Glidden	Herbert L Glidden " cemetery fund	" Town of Alton Note	100	3.	1 07	150 00	259 33
1936	Oct 3	E P Gilman	Ella Gilman " "	" Laconia	150	3.	3 20	3 05	150 00
1936	Oct 27	Olvin Merrow, James Merrow	Clara A Amazeen " "	" "	50	3.	25	4 63	62
1937	Apr 21	Luella E Bradley	Luella E Bradley " "	" "	200	3.	4 62	3 07	5 33
1937	June 16	Alonzo S Brooks	Alonzo S Brooks " "	" "	400	3.		6 17	1 82
1938	Feb 1	Herbert E Morrell	Arona E Watts Estate " "	" "	50	3.		12 09	6 09
1938	Apr 22	John J Nutter	Christie A Dore, Extx. " "	" "	100	3.		1 38	38
1938	Aug 25	Martha A Amazeen	Martha A Amazeen " "	" "	100	3.		2 00	2 00
					\$40,099 26		5,576 30	1,331 08	691 77
									6,215 61

Respectfully submitted, CHARLES H. DAVIS, HARRIET F. VARNEY, GEORGE H. JONES, TRUSTEES

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account,
 Feb. 1, 1939 find it properly vouched and correctly cast, {

RAYMOND C. DUNCAN,
 LEWIS E. HAYES, Auditors

WHERE TRUST FUNDS WERE EXPENDED IN 1938

John W. Sawyer, bill for work in cemetery	\$476.25
Lyceum entertainment	40.00
Lyceum entertainment printing	3.00
Alton Water Works, service	14.70
Ruth Grant, care Benj. Glidden lot	1.50
Jennie D. Jones for flowers 1937 and 1938	17.07
Laconia Savings Bank, safe deposit box	2.75
Postage	2.00
Clerical work and expense per bill	47.00
Library trustees, library fund	87.50
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	\$691.77

February 24, 1939

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

RAYMOND C. DUNCAN,

LEWIS E. HAYES,

Auditors.

REPORT OF LIGHTING PRECINCT

January 31, 1939

RECEIPTS

February 1, 1938, cash on hand	\$677.50
Received from town of Alton	1,919.91
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	\$2,597.41

PAYMENTS

Paid White Mt. Power Company	\$1,907.01
Harry B. Lang, clerk	5.00
Jennie D. Jones, treasurer	5.00
Edgar Child, moderator	5.00
Harry B. Lang, commissioner	5.00
Charles F. Chesley, commissioner	5.00
Edgar Child, moderator	3.00
Cash on hand	622.40
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	\$2,597.41

Respectfully submitted,

JENNIE D. JONES,

Treasurer.

February 24, 1939.

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

RAYMOND C. DUNCAN,

LEWIS E. HAYES,

Auditors.

WATER DEPT. TREASURER'S REPORT

PAYMENTS

New well	\$8,135.54
New equipment	827.71
Repairs to system	815.45
Labor and supplies, pumping station	227.71
Miscellaneous labor	52.95
General office expense and supplies	240.11
Garage and shop expense	138.75
Power purchased	562.93
Job work	85.51
Stock	133.40
Insurance	79.45
Town of Alton, serial note	1,000.00
Interest on notes	953.55
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Total payments	\$13,253.06
Cash on hand, January 31, 1939	33.27
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	\$13,286.33

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand, January 31, 1938	\$205.65
Town of Alton, serial notes	8,750.00
Water sales	4,142.56
Merchandise sales and job work	188.12
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Total receipts	\$13,286.33

ASSETS

Value of plant, January 31, 1938	\$40,735.51
Additions to plant during year:	
New well and pumping station	\$8,135.54
New distribution equipment, including tools	827.71
Stock on hand	287.91
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	\$9,251.16
Accounts receivable:	
Water	\$2,253.86
Merchandise and job work	206.13
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	\$2,459.99
Cash on hand, January 31, 1939	33.27
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Total assets	\$52,479.93

LIABILITIES

Town of Alton, serial notes	\$31,450.00
Net worth	21,029.93
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	\$52,479.93

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN H. McDUFFEE,
Treasurer.

February 24, 1939

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

RAYMOND C. DUNCAN,
LEWIS E. HAYES,

Auditors.

REPORT OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Balance on hand at beginning of year	\$13.55
Town appropriation	393.60
Income of Palmer fund	27.50
Income of O. J. M. Gilman fund	60.00
Other sources	9.80
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Total receipts	\$504.45
Expenditures	495.21
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Balance on hand	\$9.24

CASH PAID OUT DURING THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1939

1938	
April 1, Annie A. Wheeler, librarian	\$25.00
April 16, Houghton-Mifflin, books	2.03
April 16, Arabol Manufacturing Co., paste	1.86
April 18, Morrell's Store, magazines	32.70
June 1, Annie A. Wheeler, librarian	25.00
June 8, Dr. E. R. Wright, insurance	20.25
June 16, Mrs. Allan Sawyer, magazine	1.50
June 21, The Personal Book Shop, books	50.00
Aug. 4, Annie A. Wheeler, librarian	25.00
Aug. 4, The Personal Book Shop, books	50.00
Sept. 8, Farmington News, book slips	5.00
Oct. 1, Annie A. Wheeler, librarian	25.00
Dec. 1, Annie A. Wheeler, librarian	25.00
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	\$288.34

1939	
Jan. 13, F. J. Barnard & Co., Inc., binding books	\$35.60
Jan. 23, O. H. Toothaker, books	6.27

Jan. 25, The Personal Book Shop, books	140.00
Jan. 31, Annie A. Wheeler, librarian	25.00
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	\$495.21

RECEIPTS

1938	
Cash on hand	\$13.55
April 15, cash received from town treasurer	75.00
June, cash received from town treasurer	75.00
May, Mrs. Warren Gee	8.00
Aug. 12, cash received from town treasurer	75.00
Oct. 22, cash received from town treasurer	75.00
1939	
Jan. 6, cash received from town treasurer	18.60
Jan. 13, cash received from town treasurer	75.00
Jan. 14, cash received from Frank Mitchel	1.80
Jan. 30, cash received from Chas. H. Davis, Palmer fund	27.50
Jan. 30, cash received from Chas. H. Davis, O. J. M. Gilman fund	60.00
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	\$504.45

EXPENDITURES

Books	\$248.30
Periodicals	34.20
Salary of librarian	150.00
Insurance	20.25
Binding books	35.60
Book slips	5.00
Paste	1.86
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	\$495.21

Respectfully submitted,
ANNIE A. WHEELER,
Librarian.

February 24, 1939.

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

RAYMOND C. DUNCAN,
LEWIS E. HAYES,

Auditors.

RESOURCES

Number of bound volumes at beginning of year	6,046
Number of bound volumes added by purchase	174
Number of bound volumes given to the library	75
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	6,295
Number of bound volumes discarded	360
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Total number of volumes on hand at end of year	5,935
Total number of magazines currently received	28

SERVICE

Number of volumes of non-fiction lent	1,169
Number of volumes of fiction lent	10,872
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Total circulation for current year	12,041
Number of new borrowers during year	142
Number of active borrowers during year	280

NON-FICTION

Adamic, Louis	My America
America Ski Annual	
Amstutz, Walter	Skiing from A-Z
Banning, Kendall	Annapolis Today
Beebe, William	Jaca Venture
Bird, Richard	Alone
Bolitho, Hector	King George VI
Bowles	Let Me Show You New Hampshire
Carlson, H. Clifford	Basketball
Coffin, Robert P. T.	Kennebec
Damon, Bertha	Grandma Called It Carnal
Ellsberg, Com. Edward	Hell On Ice
Ellsworth, Lincoln	Beyond Horizons
Frost, Jack	Fancy This
Halsey, Margaret	With Malice Toward Some
Hertzler, Arthur E.	The Horse and Buggy Doctor
Holmes, Burton	China
Hoover, J. Edgar	Persons in Hiding
Keller, Helen	Journal
Lanchester, Elsa	Charles Laughton and I
Lawes, Warden L. E.	Invisible Stripes
Lindburgh, Ann	Listen, The Wind
Link, Henry	Rediscovery of Man
Littlepage, John D.	In Search of Soviet Gold

Lockhart, Earl G.	My Vocation
Mathews, Northup	Atlas
Nall, T. Otto	New Occupation for Youth
New Hampshire	A Guide to the Granite State
Paderewski, Ignace Jan	The Paderewski Memoirs
Taylor, Deems	Of Men and Music
Thomas, Henry	The Story of the United States
Thornton, Richard	The Recognition of Robert Frost
Van De Water, Frederic F.	We're Still in the Country
Van Doren, Carl	Benjamin Franklin
Vespa, Amleto	Secret Agent of Japan
White, William Allen	A Puritan in Babylon
The World Almanac	
Zweig, Stefan	Conqueror of the Seas

FICTION

Aldrich, Bess	Song of Years
Allen, Hervey	Action in Aquila
Allingham, Margery	The Fashions in Shrouds
Ash, Peter	Climax
Ayers, Ruby M.	There was Another
Baldwin, Faith	Enchanted Oasis
Baldwin, Faith	The High Road
Baldwin, Faith	Rich Girl, Poor Girl
Barnes, Margaret	Wisdom's Gate
Bower, B. M.	The Wind Blows
Boylston, Helen D.	Sue Barton
Brand, Max	Dead or Alive
Brand, Max	Marble Face
Brand, Max	Singing Guns
Buck, Pearl S.	This Proud Heart
Carr, John D.	The Crooked Hinge
Carroll, Eleanor E.	Chariot of the Sun
Charteris, Leslie	Prelude to War
Chase, Mary Ellen	Dawn in Lyonesse
Christie, Agatha	Death on the Nile
Cote, Clem	The Shooting Sheriff
Coolidge, Dane	Comanche Chaser
Corbett, Elizabeth	Light of Other Days
Corbett, Elizabeth	She was Carrie Eaton
De La Roche, Mazo	Growth of a Man
Deeping, Warwick	The House of Spies
Dell, Ethel	The Juice of the Pomegranate
Dell, Ethel	The Serpent in the Garden
Dinneen, Joseph F.	Ward Eight

Douglas, Lloyd A.	Disputed Passage
Douglas Lloyd A.	Home for Christmas
DuMaurier, Daphne	Rebecca
Eberhart, Mignon G.	The Glass Slipper
Eberhart, Mignon G.	Hasty Wedding
Ferber, Edna	Nobody's in Town
Field, Rachel	All This and Heaven Too
Forbes, Esther	The General's Lady
Foster, Bennett	Bad Lands
Foster, Bennett	Turn Loose Your Wolf
Frankan, Gilbert	The Dangerous Years
Goodyear, Susan	College Square
Goudge, Elizabeth	Towers in the Mist
Gregory, Jackson	Powder Smoke
Greig, Maysie	Debutante in Uniform
Grey, Zane	Knights of the Range
Grey, Zane	Raiders of Spanish Peaks
Halsted, Winifred	Marriage is so Final
Hancock, Lucy A.	Nurse in White
Haycox, Ernest	Man in the Saddle
Haycox, Ernest	Sundown Jim
Hayes, Timothy	King of the Mesa
Hichens, Robert	The Journey Up
Holton, Edith A.	Wait for the Tide
Hueston, Ethel	High Bridges
Keyes, Frances S.	Parts Unknown
Knevels, Gertrude	No, Mr. Brown
Krey, Laura	And Tell of Time
Lawrence, Josephine	Bow Down to Wood and Stone
Lee, Ranger	Rebel on the Range
Lewis, Sinclair	The Prodigal Parents
Lincoln, Joseph C.	A. Hall and Co.
Lorimers, Graeme	Acquittal
Loring, Emilie	High of Heart
Loring, Emilie	Today is Yours
Lutz, Grace H. L.	Homing
Lutz, Grace H. L.	Marigold
Lutz, Grace H. L.	Maris
MacDonald, Philip	Warrant for X
Mann, E. B.	Shooting Melody
Marshall, Edison	The Jewel of Mahabar
Mason, Van Wyck	Three Harbours
Masterman's, Walter S.	The Secret of the Downs
Miller, Mary M.	First the Blade

Moore, Amos	Border Justice
Nordoff, Charles	The Dark River
Norris, Kathleen	Heartbroken Melody
Oppenheim, E. P.	The Colossus of Arcadia
Pedler, Margaret	No Armour Against Fate
Prouty, Oliver H.	Lisa Vale
Rinehart, Mary	The Wall
Roberts, Kenneth	Trending into Maine
Rodney, George B.	Coyote Valley
Rosmann, Alice	Unfamiliar Faces
Safford, Barnard	Soft Money
Shute, Nevil	Kindling
Simpson, Helen	Under Capricorn
Smart, Charles A.	R. F. D.
Stevenson, D. E.	The Baker's Daughter
Strange, J. S.	Silent Witnesses
Taber, Gladys	This is for Always
Taylor, Phoebe A.	Banbury Bog
Turnbull, Agnes S.	Remember the End
Tuttle, W. C.	Wandering Dogies
Tuttle, W. C.	Wild Horse Valley
Van Dine, S. S.	The Gracie Allen Murder
Walling, R. A. J.	The Corpse with the Grimy Glove
Walsh, Maurice	The Dark Rose
Wells, Carolyn	The Missing Link

BOYS' AND GIRLS'

Barbour, Ralph H.	Rivals on the Mound
Burglon, Nora	The Gate Swings In
Carter, Russell G.	Brothers of the Frontier
Eliot, George F.	The Purple Legion
Hinkle, Thomas C.	Barry
Kelley, Eric P.	At the Sign of the Golden Compass
Meador, Stephen	Who Rides in the Dark?
O'Brien, Jack	Rip Darcy
Salten, Felix	Perri
Stone, Irving	Sailor on Horseback
Tritten, Charles	Heidi Grows Up

JUVENILE

Acland, Captain Eric	The Princess Elizabeth
Black, Irma S.	Hamlet
Bragdon, Lillian J.	The Land of William Tell
Bushwell, G. T.	Happy Days

Bushwell, G. T.	True Stories
Coatsworth, Elizabeth	Alice-All-by-Herself
de Angelia, Marguerite	Petete Susanne
Frasier, George	Sunshine and Rain
Frasier, George	Through the Year
Frasier, George	We See
Gag, Wanda	Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs
Hardy, Marjorie	Sally and Billy in Autumn
Hardy, Marjorie	Sally and Billy in Spring
Hardy, Marjorie	Sally and Billy in Winter
Hardy, Marjorie	Surprise Stories
Hardy, Marjorie	Wag and Puff
Kinscella, Hazel G.	Storyland
Leaf, Munro	Wee Gillis
McConnell, Jean	Little Elephant Catches Cold
McLester, Amelia	In and Out of School
McLester, Amelia	Let's Read
McLester, Amelia	We Look Around Us
McLester, Amelia	We Play
Morse, Elizabeth	The Cocanut Monkey
Teichner, Miriam	The Knitting Grasshopper
Yowell, Stella	Robert's School

BOOKS GIVEN, 1938

John Deere	
Three books	Mrs. Fred Newhall
Messages and Papers of the Presidents,	
X volumes	Mrs. Ada P. Hall
Exploration of the Valley of the Amazon	
	Mrs. Ada P. Hall
Thirty books (mostly girls)	Mrs. John MacManus
Twenty-eight books	Mr. C. L. Williams
An Almanac for Bostonians	The Personal Book Shop
Speaking of Change	Edward A. Filene

CHARLES H. DAVIS,

MYRA J. JONES,

ANNIE A. WHEELER,

Trustees.

Births Registered in the Town of Alton, N. H., for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1938

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of the Child, if any	Sex-Condition		Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother	Age of Father	Age of Mother
			Male	Female								
July 9	Alton	Richard	m		Augustus S Glidden	Mabel McLough	Alton	Farmer	Alton	Wolfeboro	29	32

Out of Town Births Reported

Date	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Sex	Age	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Residence	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother	Age of Father	Age of Mother
Mar 10	Rochester	Linda Jean	F	1	John P Vailleton	Phyllis Shorey	Alton	Electrician	Bordeaux Fr	Rochester	26	25
May 22	Wolfeboro	Isabel A	F	2	Edwin Chamberlain	A M Twombly	"	Asst Suprvsr	Alton	E Rochester	33	29
June 15	Rochester	Edward Lee	m	2	Joseph E Derostia	Elsie C Heath	"	Electrician	Tilton	Tilton	31	23
July 1	"	Stanley B	m	3	Henry S Thompson	Elleniah Horne	"	Painter	Alton	Lowell Mass	30	26
July 4	"	Fred Clayton	m	3	Fred C Lovett	Lillian M Morton	"	Forester	Ashb'nh'mMa	Alton	43	29
July 11	"	Dick Drayton	m	2	G Leroy Gassett	Angie Drayton	"	Mason	Windso' Vt	Manchester	27	26
July 15	Laconia	Anne Marie	F	1	Irving J Cassier	Ora M Lasse	"	Shoe Cutter	Chelsea Mass	Laconia	22	21
Aug 2	Wolfeboro	Elizabeth J	F	6	WG Phorougheed	Erna B Witham	"	Shoe Cutter	New Durham	Presque Isle Me	31	30
Aug 10	"	Nancy B	F	2	Lester P Downing	Aida B Barnett	"	Truck Driver	Alton	Alton	31	21
Aug 17	"	Malcolm F	F	1	Frank E Simonds	E H Higgins	"	Prop Garage	Farmington	Meredith	31	23
Aug 27	"	Lois Ann	F	1	Lawrence P Beck	T L Ackerman	"	Mailboat op	Somerville Ma	Hill	35	32
Sept 29	"	Ann	F	1	Salvatore Scialo	Rita E Fleming	"	Riding inst	E Boston Mas	Malden Mass	21	18
Sept 22	"	Edward E	m	2	Edw'd G Gustafson	Nella H France	"	Trmwy opr	Lowell Mass	Manchester	22	18
Oct 16	"	Arthur T	m	1	Arnold J Steling	Daisy Sanders n	"	Lumberjack	Somerville NB	Newton Mass	32	19
Dec 12	"	Donald E	m	1	Donald H McLeod	Corinne E Syme	"	Teacher	Cleveland O	San Francisco Kan	28	29

Marriages Registered in the Town of Alton, N. H., for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1938

Date	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of Each at time of marriage	Age in Years	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of Each	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation	Condition	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married
Mar 19	Farm'gton	Lawrence E Elliott	Alton	29	Laborer	Alton	Willie V Elliott Etta Plummer	Rumney Groton	Farmer Housewife	1	Laurence M Farr Minister Farmington
		Mabelle L Hoyt	N Durham	35	Shoeworker	Northwood	Martha E Hoyt Alma L Dandelin	Northwood Chicago Ill	R R Eng Housekeeper	1	
May 7	Gilford	Fred D Jones	Alton	24	Carpenter	Alton	Albert W Jones Lillian Dale	Alton Shirley Mass	Carpenter Housewife	1	Laurence C Sibley Minister G. Ford
		Ada B Gould	"	24	Housework	Warren	Edwin L Gould Mabel Hubbard	Warren Canada	Retired Housewife	1	
17	Alton	William E Hill	"	51	Laborer	Barnst'n P Q	Hosea Hill Anne Kelly	Canada N J	Laborer	1	E R Whitcomb J of P Alton
		Cora Fitzgerald	"	26	Housekeeper	Burl'gton Vt	C Fitzgerald Maud Laporte	N J Ch'sterfield Vt	Farmer Housekeeper	1	
June 1	Gilford	Robert D Sanders	"	29	Masonsh'p'er	Gilford	Fred G Sanders G M Merrill	Lakeport Mercedith	Carpenter Housewife	1	Laurence C Sibley Minister G. Ford
		Gladys I Emerson	"	34	Housework	"	F A Emerson B M Flanders	Rochester Gilford	R Remp Housewife	1	
26	Concord	George H Wallace	"	24	Clerk	Boston Mass	M'rice Wallace Etta Burrill	P E I Concord	Farmer Housewife	1	E A McKenzie Clergyman Concord
		Carolyn R Brunel	Concord	26	Teacher	Concord	Early Brunel Arlene Wilson	Concord Lynn Mass	Salesman Housewife	1	
Aug 29	Alton	Tracy A Dibble	Lynn Mas	42	C P Acct	Lynn Mass	W B Dibble Nellie F Todd	Michigan Newburyt Ma	Shoecutter Housewife	2	Frank M Ayer J of P Alton
		Sara E Pelton	Bev F'm Ma	38	Companion	Berwick NS	Miner F Pelton Cora Veniot	Berwick N S "	Carpenter Housewife	1	

Out of Town Marriages Reported

Jan 30	Gilford	Carl N Sanders	Alton	25	Laborer	Gilford	Fred G Sanders G M Merrill	Lakeport Mercedith	Carpenter Housewife	1	Laurence C Sibley Minister G. Ford
		Julia H Corey	Gilford	24	Housework	Granville NY	Anthony Olsky Helen Dominic	Poland N Y	Laborer	3	
Sept 3	Alton	Edwin Q Towle	Rochester	30	Loom fixer	E Rochester	Frank Towle Nellie Quimby	Effingham E Rochester	Carpenter Housewife	1	H E Shattuck Minister Alton
		Patricia Willey	Alton	23	Teacher	Rochester	Lawrence Willey Edna Browning	Rochester "	Musician Housewife	1	
23	Alton	Amos R Price Jr	Gilmanton	17	Farmer	Manchester	Amos R Price Emma Wright	Gilmanton Farmington	Farmer Housewife	1	A V Woodworth Minister Alton
		Paulene M Richards	Alton	16	At Home	H'verhill Ma	E W Richards Paulene Wason	Farmington Bradford Mass	Shoecutter Housewife	1	

Deaths Registered in the Town of Alton, N. H. for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1938

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age		Place of Birth	S and C		Occupation	Place of Birth		Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Disease or Cause of Death	Name of Physician Reporting Death
			Years	Months	Days	Male	Female		Father	Mother				
April 3	Alton	Willie D Brown	66	1	1	m		Auto Taxi	Moultonboro	Cushing Me	Warren Brown	L Grafton	Artioscel'ro'is	E R Wright
6	"	Chas Stevens	72	11	24	m		Black'per	Exceter	Newington	John C Stevens	Lydia Nutter	C'b'lth'r'mb'is	R W Tuttle
16	"	HH McMurphy	61	9	22	m		Mason	L'ndonde'ry	England	John Woods	Janet Sherman	CorTh'r'mb'is	R W Tuttle
28	"	W F Woods	68	6	8	m		Fire Chief	England	England	Enoch Canney	Eliza Waite	CorTh'r'mb'is	Harry BLanke
May 17	"	L H Reynolds	88	4	14	m	F	At home	M'lvn Vill'ge	"	John L Tarrant	Mary Waite	Heart Failure	Fred E Clow
18	"	Betsey Dodge	68	4	4	F	F	Retired	Canada	Canada	A A Kilborn	Sarah J Bean	BronchoPneu	R W Tuttle
June 10	"	F P Kilborn	78	4	6	m		Shoe treer	Scotland	E Concord	Geo Magee	Eliza Tilton	CorTh'r'mb'is	R W Tuttle
25	"	Chas A Magee	76	11	26	m		Retired	Bangor Me	Goffstown	Thomas Nolan	Ida Wyman	Drowning	R W Tuttle
July 31	"	William H Dore	68	4	1	m	F	Farmer	Alton	Quebec P Q	Alvin H Dore	Flora L Hill	Charmy'c'ditis	L R Browne
Sept 30	"	Millie Varney	65	1	14	F	F	Housewife	"	Moultonboro	Amos Place	Arvilla Varney	Pul Edema	C S Abbott
Oct 4	"	Annie Goodell	79	10	27	F	F	At home	Ireland	Ireland	John Grimes	Ann Donelly	CorTh'r'mb'is	R W Tuttle
9	"	Chas Hopewell	66	4	16	m		Elec Eng	Gre'nfi'dMa	Spr'g'n'dMa	John Hopewell	Sarah Blake	Car Vas Dis	JL McL'ghn
17	"	Ralph E Russell	76	7	25	m		Farmer	Norwich Vt	Norwich Vt	Asa I Russell	Mr Blanchard	Heart Disease	Fred E Clow
19	"	Chas E Adams	59	5	28	m	S	"	Newbury Mas	Boston Mass	Geo E Adams	Susan Folsom	Heart Failure	J E Bovard
31	"	Elida J Card	69	9	21	F	F	Housewife	Alton	Gilmanton	Frank A Jones	Mary A Dudley	C're nom' tosis	R W Tuttle
Nov 1	"	H R Flanders	39	29		m	S	Laborer	Gilford	Alton	R W Flanders	B A Flanders	Bullet in skull	L R Browne
Dec 20	"													

Out of Town Deaths Reported

Mar 19	M'ch't'r	John J Nutter	75	11	11	Alton	w Retired	Alton	Alton	Chas Nutter	Ann Varney	CorTh'r'mb'is	G E Hoffes
April 19	Gilford	Ellen E Varney	90	11	18	Shrewsb'orth	F Housewife	Farmington	Acton Me	David Roberts	Sabrina Lord	Heart Failure	R W Tuttle
April 4	W'f' bro	Lillian D Jones	67	8	25	Shrew Mass	m Farmer	Boxford Mas	Canaan	Pinney B Dale	G M Tucker	Carthoma	R W Tuttle
May 6	"	Allison E Rines	69	9	6	Alton	m Farmer	N'wDurham	Alton	Chas C Rines	R Whitehouse	CorTh'r'mb'is	J E Bovard
Aug 27	"	Lois Ann	69	8	26	Wolfeboro	F Housewife	W'f'leMa	Hill	L'w'nee Beck	R I Ackerman	Pla sep prem	R W Tuttle
Sept 11	"	Henry Briggs	63	11	28	Sc tuate	m Laborer	Sc tuate	Farmington	Geo H Briggs	MWig'lesw'th	Carthoma	H B Luke
Aug 21	"	C S Yeaton	78	3	27	"	m Retired	Newcastle	"	Rich'd Yeaton	BronchoPneu	Carthoma	H B Oss'o'd
Oct 30	Boston	Frank W Gray	68	4	19	N'wDurham	m Wood dlr	Alexandria	"	William Gray	Mary Corliss	Artioscel'ro'is	R W Tuttle
Nov 14	W'f' bro	Charles Hill	80	5	28	Barnst'nCan	m F Retired	E Haverhill	E Haverhill	Nathan e Hill	Mary Corliss	Artioscel'ro'is	L R Browne
Dec 8	Lacomia												

I hereby certify that the above returns are correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ETHEL W. MORRELL, Town Clerk

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT of ALTON, N. H.

For the School Year Ending June 30, 1938

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PART I**OFFICERS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT***Moderator*

EDGAR C. CHILDS

Clerk

LOIS I. ALDEN

School Board

HARRY E. JONES	TERM EXPIRES 1939
OLIVER R. SHATTUCK	TERM EXPIRES 1940
ANNIE C. SANBORN, Chr.	TERM EXPIRES 1941

Treasurer

GLADYS A. BROWN

Auditors

RAYMOND C. DUNCAN	LEWIS E. HAYES
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Superintendent of Schools

LESTER B. BADGER

Truant Officer

ALFRED W. COOLEY

Census Taker

ALFRED W. COOLEY

School Nurse

RUTH S. LANGILLE

PART II**EDUCATIONAL POLICY**

Much is being heard these days about the prospects of the democratic form of government in the world continuing to exist. Probably we have become more conscious in the past few years than ever before of the tremendous significance of the term "democratic." The more we study it the more we realize that a democratic country is far more than just a country with a democratic form of government. A full appreciation of the liberties and of freedom of action, of speech and of thought come only with meditation upon the facts gained from the study of the life of peoples in every country of the

world. Through the study of psychology we have come to realize that education comes only through experience so, if we are going to perpetuate the democratic form of life that we have in the United States of America, we must not only learn the facts of the true conditions of peoples all over the world and teach them to our children but we must also train our boys and girls in the democratic way of life by giving them a chance to practice throughout their childhood the democratic way of living. Students of political science are agreed that the greatest factor in the cause of the fall of the recent attempt at democratic rule in the countries of Europe was the lack on the part of the people of experience in governing themselves. Although they had studied the governmental machinery of other democracies, they had had no practice in handling or operating it and it soon got out of control. If our boys and girls are to make as few mistakes as possible in running our governmental machine when they become adults and take over the steering wheel, our schools must be so organized as to give them such practice with democratic methods as will enable them to make successfully the transition from their participation in their adolescent social and political life to their participation in their adult social and political life. We must keep in mind not only our obligations to train our young people in citizenship but also our obligations to train them in democratic citizenship, in the democratic way of living. This then, is the educational policy of the local schools.

PART III

INSTRUCTION

(a) Courses of Study

The introduction of the courses in agriculture and home economics into the high school curriculum a number of years ago is evidence that Alton recognized earlier than many communities the needs of those young people who are not likely to continue their education beyond high school on into college or normal school for even though credits for these courses are accepted for admission to the University of New Hampshire and other institutions, they are primarily for those who for one reason or another do not expect to go away for further

training. In an attempt to have Alton High School continue to lead in the way its offering provides for the educational needs of all the boys and girls of high school age in the community, much study has been made during the past few years of what courses should be offered with the facilities and funds available. Credit courses in sociology, economics, biology, general science, junior business training and orchestra have been added. Because of the lack of suitable equipment the course in physics was dropped. As the content of this course has so many applications to the problems of our daily living, whether we be farmers, teachers, doctors, housewives, or businessmen, its loss is a serious one and should not be allowed to become permanent.

Another course that seems to be meeting a real need in many schools is general mathematics, a subject which offers training along the same practical lines as the seventh and eighth grade mathematics but more advanced and which serves as an excellent approach to the more specialized branches of elementary mathematics: algebra, geometry and trigonometry.

Because so many people now make use of the typewriter, and because so many of Alton's young people work, especially during the summer, at some job where a knowledge of the fundamentals of advertising and salesmanship would be of advantage, a commercial course, or at least certain commercial subjects, would be highly profitable for a goodly number. As nearly all teachers of commercial subjects are qualified to teach some other subjects, such as history, sociology, economics, junior business training, English, mathematics, or even science, the introduction of such a course would not be difficult as far as the finding of a teacher to fit into the Alton situation is concerned.

Another practical arts course that would appeal and be highly valuable to some is shop work, including cabinet making, auto mechanics, general shop, shop mathematics, shop electricity, etc. If Alton could make arrangements with some other nearby school to use a qualified teacher part time, and if the work could be organized to meet standard requirements so that Federal aid could be obtained as is now done for Home Economics and Agriculture, the course would not be very expensive.

The idea of a part time teacher might work out also to make it possible at very low cost to offer in the high school a course or two in art, including drawing and art appreciation, and to get some help along the line in the elementary grades.

Such broadening and enriching of the program of studies deserves the serious consideration of those interested in the future citizens of Alton.

(b) Teachers

No teachers left during the school year but at the end of the year Ruth Pollard withdrew in order to continue her training. The vacancy thus created was filled by Doris M. Barnes, who graduated from Aroostook Normal School in Maine and had taught several years in Barnstead.

The following is a list of the teachers for the present school year together with other pertinent current information:

Teacher	Position	Salary	Enrollment
Edgar B. Bruce	Headmaster		
	H. S.	\$2,050.00	79
Donald H. McLeod	Agriculture	1,650.00	
Agnes M. Thompson	Languages	1,365.00	
A. Isabel Twombly	Eng. & Hist.	1,100.00	
Elizabeth E. Frederick	Domestic Arts	1,000.00	
Doris M. Barnes	Cent. Grs. 7 & 8	1,000.00	40
Dorothy M. Douglass	Cent. Grs. 5 & 6	1,000.00	39
Carolyn B. Wallace	Cent. Grs. 3 & 4	950.00	18
Alma L. Pitman	Cent. Grs. 1 & 2	950.00	28
Harriet S. Seavey	Bay Grs. 1-4	950.00	19
Annie A. Wheeler	Music	400.00	

Present Total Enrollment

223

The following is a list of teachers who attended summer school during the summer of 1938: Doris M. Barnes, Edgar B. Bruce, Dorothy M. Douglass, Elizabeth E. Frederick, and Donald H. McLeod.

The fact that five of the eleven teachers spent six weeks of their summer vacation in study at summer schools at an expense of \$100 to \$250 each speaks well for their interest in professional improvement. Many school boards are now requiring summer school attendance or its equivalent once in every three years, and it is

quite a common practice for such boards to offer some financial inducement for such additional training. Such a policy could be adopted by Alton at an average annual cost of only about \$110.

(c) Eighth Grade Tests

Standardized Achievement tests were given in May and June, 1938, to all eighth grade pupils in the supervisory union. The table below shows some of the most interesting facts regarding the results of the tests.

	Pittsfield	Wolfeboro	Alton	Barnstead	New Durham	Tuftsboro	Total
Total taking test	41	49	12	17	7	11	137
Median total score*	8.5	9.2	8.4	8.2	6.6	7.1	8.5
Standard score							8.9
No. <i>equalling</i> or <i>exceeding</i> standard	19	27	3	8	1	3	61
No. <i>below</i> standard	22	22	9	9	6	8	76
No. at least 1 yr. <i>above</i> standard	7	15	2	2	1	1	28
No. at least 1 yr. <i>below</i> standard	14	15	5	9	5	8	56
No. at least 2 yrs. <i>above</i> standard	0	8	0	0	0	0	8
No. at least 2 yrs. <i>below</i> standard	9	7	1	3	5	5	30
Per cent up to standard	46	55	25	47	15	27	45

* A score of 8.5 is what a normal child five months along in the eighth grade is expected to receive on the test. A score of 6.6 is what a normal child six months along in the sixth grade is expected to receive, and so forth.

PART IV**FINANCE****(a) Annual Report of District Treasurer**

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1938

Cash on hand June 30, 1937	
(Treasurer's bank balance)	\$223.34
Received from selectmen:	
Appropriations for current year	\$19,500.00
Received from state treasurer	
(Federal aid)	\$60.98
Received from all other sources	2,308.84
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	\$22,669.82
Total amount available for fiscal	
year (balance and receipts)	\$22,893.16
Less school board orders paid	22,804.91
Balance on hand as of June 30, 1938	<hr/>
(Treasurer's bank balance)	\$89.15

GLADYS A. BROWN,

District Treasurer.

June 30, 1938

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Alton, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1938, and find them correct in all respects.

RAYMOND C. DUNCAN,

LEWIS E. HAYES,

July 13, 1938

Auditors.

(b) Financial Report of the School Board

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1938

RECEIPTS

Federal aid Smith-Hughes	
fund for vocational	
education	\$860.98
Income from local taxation	
Raised by selectmen	19,500.00
Gooch Abatement	36.00
From sources other than taxation	
Elementary school tuition	20.00

High school tuition	1,814.22
Sale of property	438.62
Total receipts from all sources	\$22,669.82
Cash on hand at beginning of year, July 1, 1937	223.34
Grand total	\$22,893.16

PAYMENTS

	Total	High School	Elementary Schools
Administration			
Salaries of district officers	\$153.00		
Superintendent's excess salary	378.47		
Truant officers and school census	35.00		
Expenses of adminis- tration	164.38		
Instruction			
Principals' and teachers' salaries	12,197.21	\$7,441.68	\$4,755.53
Textbooks	527.49	231.30	296.19
Scholars' supplies	738.72	403.44	335.28
Flags and appurtenances	.50	.50	
Other expenses of instruction	191.05	176.88	14.17
Operation and maintenance of school plant			
Janitor service	1,000.00	342.90	657.10
Fuel	176.84	110.34	66.50
Water, light, janitors' supplies	323.54	150.47	173.07
Minor repairs and expenses	323.79	265.13	58.66
Auxiliary agencies and special activities			
Medical inspection	299.33	34.86	264.47
Transportation of pupils	4,627.00	306.23	4,320.77
Other special activities	145.20	116.60	28.60

Fixed charges			
Tax for state wide supervision	452.00		
Insurance and other fixed charges	65.40		
Outlay for construction and equipment			
Alterations of old buildings	782.62		
New equipment	222.47		
Total pay'ts for all purposes	<u>\$22,804.01</u>	<u>\$9,580.33</u>	<u>\$10,970.34</u>
Total cash on hand at end of year (June 30, 1938)	89.15		
Grand total	<u>\$22,893.16</u>		

BALANCE SHEET
As of June 30, 1938
ASSETS

Cash on hand:		
Balance June 30, 1938	\$89.15	
Accounts due to district:		
From town:		
Balance of appropriation	1,344.83	
Dog tax	362.07	
From others:		
Barnstead school district	193.48	
New Durham school district	268.17	
Gilmanton school district	421.41	
Helen J. Berry	20.00	
Wolfeboro school district	38.31	
E. B. Bruce	11.00	
Total assets		<u>\$2,748.42</u>
Excess of liabilities over assets		0.00
Grand total		<u>\$2,748.42</u>

LIABILITIES

Accounts owed by district	<u>\$0.00</u>
Total liabilities	<u>\$0.00</u>

Excess of assets over liabilities	\$2,748.42
Grand total	\$2,748.42

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Alton, of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1938, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

RAYMOND C. DUNCAN,
LEWIS E. HAYES,

July 13, 1938

Auditors.

(c) Return of District Revenue, 1938

Support of schools

School board budget of necessary
expenses of (H) \$9,345.00

Instruction, Operation and
Special Activities (E) 12,470.00

\$21,815.00

Other statutory requirements

Salaries of district officers \$153.00

Truant officer and school census 35.00

Superintendent's excess salary 400.00

\$2 per capita tax for supervision 454.00

Other obligations 338.00

\$1,380.00

Special appropriations

Alterations of old buildings \$1,000.00

New equipment 200.00

\$1,200.00

Total amount of school board's

budget and special
appropriations made by
district

\$24,395.00

Deduction for estimated income of
district from sources
other than current
taxation

3,450.00

Amount to be raised by taxation for budget and appropriations	\$20,945.00
Authorization to incur debt For alterations of old buildings	2,000.00

CERTIFICATES

I certify that the above is a correct statement of the obligations authorized, and the amounts to be assessed to meet statutory requirements and appropriations made at the annual meeting of the Alton school district held March 12, 1938.

LOIS I. ALDEN,

Clerk of the School District.

To The State Board of Education:

I certify that the above is a correct statement of the financial proceedings of the district for 1938, and that copies of this statement have been filed with the chairman of the board of selectmen and entered in the records of the school board.

ANNIE C. SANBORN,

March 14, 1938

Chairman of the School Board.

(d) School Board's Estimate for 1939-40

School board's estimate of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1939.

EXPENDITURES

	High School	Elementary Schools
Support of schools		
Teachers' salaries	\$7,368.00	\$5,317.00
Textbooks	210.00	275.00
Scholars' supplies	375.00	350.00
Flags and appurtenances	3.00	7.00
Other expenses of instruction	200.00	50.00
Janitor service	400.00	600.00
Fuel	255.00	335.00
Water, light, janitors' supplies	200.00	200.00
Minor repairs and expenses	585.00	615.00

Health supervision	50.00	250.00	
Transportation of pupils	300.00	4,050.00	
Other special activities	100.00	175.00	
	<u>\$10,046.00</u>	<u>\$12,224.00</u>	\$22,270.00
Other statutory requirements:			
Salaries of district officers		\$153.00	
Truant officer and school census		35.00	
Superintendent's excess salary		405.00	
Per capita tax		402.00	
Payment of district debt		1,000.00	
Interest on district debt		50.00	
Other obligations		278.00	
		<u></u>	\$2,323.00
Total amount required to meet school board's budget			<u>\$24,593.00</u>

ESTIMATED INCOME OF DISTRICT

Balance June 30, 1939	\$500.00	
Federal aid, July 1939	975.00	
Dog tax	250.00	
High school tuition receipts	2,000.00	
Elementary school tuition	54.00	
Other estimated income, sale of property	50.00	
	<u></u>	\$3,829.00
Total estimated income		\$3,829.00
Assessment required to balance school board's budget		<u>\$20,764.00</u>
Special appropriation proposed (Articles in Warrant)		
New equipment	\$200.00	
	<u></u>	\$200.00
Total assessment required to cover budget and appropriation		<u>\$20,964.00</u>

This amount being asked for is within a few dollars of the same as was appropriated in March, 1938.

In other parts of this report there is mentioned the need for certain courses which are not now offered. It might be of interest to apply a financial test to the

budget to see whether Alton is spending all it can afford to spend on its high school or if it could increase its offering to better meet the needs of its boys and girls without undue burden. In 1919 the state legislature passed a law regarding state aid for elementary schools. As a basis for such aid it was determined that any district which could not maintain standard schools on a tax of \$5.00 per \$1,000.00 of the equalized valuation might receive aid from the state. This rate has thus come to be accepted as a reasonable one for any district. Alton's latest equalized valuation figure is \$2,285,364.00. \$5.00 per \$1,000.00 of this amount would be \$11,426.82

More recently there has been somewhat less generally accepted a basis for determining a reasonable load for support of high schools. Considering just the fact that the elementary school has eight grades and the high school four we might assume that this rate would be \$2.50 per \$1,000.00, but taking into consideration also that high school teachers' salaries are higher, that high school books and supplies are more expensive and that high school classes are usually much smaller, we should expect the rate to be somewhat above \$2.50. The figure actually accepted by many is \$3.50. At this rate Alton could raise \$7,998.77 for support of the high school. Thus it would seem that Alton could afford to raise \$11,426.82 plus \$7,998.77, or \$19,425.59 for support of schools. The total appropriation asked for is \$20,964.00 of which \$200.00 is for new equipment and \$2,323.00 for other statutory obligations, leaving \$18,441.00 for the support of schools. This amount is \$984.59, or practically \$1,000.00, less than the \$19,425.59 Alton could afford to raise as determined by this test. This \$1,000.00 would do much toward meeting the needs mentioned.

PART V

SCHOOL PLANT

During the past year the Central school building has received the following major improvements: (1) the complete renovation of the heating system with new boiler, automatic stoker, automatic temperature control, and increased radiation; (2) addition of three windows to the primary room; (3) addition of four windows to the fifth and sixth grade room, and (4) replacement of the old desks in the fifth and sixth grade room by modern movable desks and chairs.

The major additions to the equipment have been, (1) two dozen new folding chairs for general use, (2) a new lathe for the shop, and (3) for the Home Economics department a set of dishes to serve one hundred people.

These improvements to both building and equipment have very materially increased the efficiency of the educational facilities of Alton and are greatly appreciated by all who use them.

The plan initiated two years ago to gradually modernize the natural lighting of the classrooms, and the pupil furniture should be continued. The budget for 1939-40 has been prepared so that the desks in the primary room may be replaced and about twenty-five new desks and chairs may be bought to replace in the high school recitation rooms an equal number of tablet arm chairs for study purposes. The size of the working space on the arm of a chair is far too limited to allow for decently neat written work, drawings, or other hand work. By adopting the separate desk and chair it makes possible the use of the chairs for the orchestra and for other general purposes.

An inspection of the roofs on the additions to the main Central building has resulted in the inclusion in the budget of an amount estimated to be sufficient to re-shingle these parts. The September hurricane hastened the necessity for this work.

PART VI

CHILD ACCOUNTING AND STATISTICS

(a) Promotion to High School

The following eleven pupils, as compared with eighteen last year, were promoted to high school in June 1938: Eudora Burtt, Brenda Chamberlain, Myron Clark, Marion Hurd, Henry Leonard, John Mixer, Walter Read, Pauline Richards, Henry Sanders, Olive Trickey, and Harriet Varney. All of these pupils entered high school last fall.

(b) Roll of Honor for Attendance

The following six pupils, as compared with two for 1936-37, seven for 1935-36, seven for 1934-35, four for 1933-34, and seventeen for 1932-33, were neither absent nor tardy during the school year ending June 30, 1938: Nathan Alden, Ralph Alden, Ellen Barr, (3) Robert Carr, Charlie Miller, Charlotte Woodworth.

A figure before a pupil's name denotes the number of consecutive years he has had perfect attendance.

The following pupils had perfect attendance except for absences caused by school bus: Elinor Russell and Wesley Gleason.

(c) Statistics for the Year Ending June 30, 1938			
	High	Elem.	Total
Number of pupils registered	84	140	224
Average number of half-days schools were in session *(351.67)	352	351.6	351.67
Average membership	79.21	126.07	205.28
Average attendance	74.77	119.66	194.43
Aggregate number half-days all pupils were in school	26319	42073	68392
Per cent of attendance (95.13)	94.39	94.92	94.71
Average number of half-days each pupil was in school (338.40)	332.27	333.72	333.16
Pupils not absent nor tardy	3	3	6
Per cent of all pupils not absent nor tardy	4.01	2.38	2.92
Cases of tardiness	387	212	599
Average number of tardinesses per pupil (.86)	4.86	1.68	2.92
Non-resident pupils	26	2	28
Pupils transported at district expense	20	47	67
Visits by superintendent	61	53	114
Average number of visits by superintendent per teacher	12.2	10.6	11.4
Visits by citizens	80	357	437
Visits by school board members	6	12	18
Meetings of school board			11
Number of pupils promoted	72	106	178
Number not promoted	6	15	21
Per cent not promoted (5.98)	7.69	12.4	10.55

*Figures in parentheses are state averages.

All of the numbers in the above table are sufficiently near the usual trend as to warrant no special mention except those showing the tardiness. Alton's rate of tardiness last year was more than three times that for the state as a whole. By far the largest part of this poor record was caused by the high school pupils. The habit of thinking that "any old time" is soon enough is not conducive to the greatest success. It is indeed doubtful if the future positions of these pupils will permit the continuance of such failure to be punctual. It would seem that parents have an obligation in this regard to see that their children form the habit of being on time at school.

(d) Census, September 30, 1938

ENUMERATION OF RESIDENT CHILDREN

Number of resident children 5 to 16 in local schools	177	
Number 5 to 16 in high schools outside the district	2	
Number 5 to 16 in elementary schools outside the district	1	
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Total number 5 to 16 in some school		181
Number 5 to 8 not in school	6	
Number 8 to 14 not in school	0	
Number 14 to 16 not in school	0	
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Total number of children 5 to 16 not in some school		6

Total number of resident children 5 to 16 187

This total is twelve greater than for 1937, fourteen less than 1936, and nineteen less than for 1935.

PART VII

AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL REPORTS

(a) Extracts from Report of Headmaster

It is my pleasure at this time to submit my fourth annual report as the Headmaster of Alton High School. I shall attempt to give a brief resume of school activities which have transpired since the report of last year was written. I should like also to make a few recommendations of possible changes which I believe should take

place in the organization of this school in order that the school might better serve the interests of the community.

On June 17, 1938, eleven pupils were graduated from this school and are at present located as follows:

Guy Andrews	At Home
Robert Carr	University of New Hampshire
Judson Downing	Wentworth Institute
Vera Edwards	Clerk
Blanche Frohock	Concord Business College
Constance Gonichon	At Home
Richard Kardinal	Seamanship
Phyllis Lamper	At Home
Lester Rollins	University of New Hampshire
Beulah Trickey	New England Conservatory of Music
Roy Whelden	At Home

Some of these graduates who are listed as being at home have definitely made plans to attend institutions of higher learning next year. Therefore, Alton High still retains its position with other schools in the state that rank high in the percentage of graduates who go farther in pursuit of learning.

Twenty-eight tuition pupils are registered in the high school: six from Barnstead; twelve from Gilman-ton; eight from New Durham; and two from Wolfeboro.

AGRICULTURE

As in previous years Alton High School has been represented at all state sponsored judging contests during the past year. Many thanks should be extended to the owners of prize stock in this vicinity for making possible an opportunity for the agricultural students to practice judging in preparation for state competitions.

The Future Farmers of America is a National Club, whose membership is primarily restricted to boys pursuing the Agricultural course in high school. This club has been an active organization of this school for the past four years. One of the outstanding accomplishments has been the extensive spray program during the spring term of school. At the state celebration during the summer of 1938 the Future Farmers of this school prepared a float for the parade at Concord which gained high commendation for their efforts.

HOME ECONOMICS

On several occasions during the past year the Home Economics classes have prepared and served

luncheons and dinners for various groups. These occasions have produced evidence of the efficiency of students and speak credibly of the instruction.

The noon-hour lunch program for the past year was planned and directed by the Home Economics classes. Two hundred dollars was appropriated by the Alton school district for the purpose of providing a hot lunch to everyone eating noon lunches at the Central and the Bay schools.

The Domestic Art's club continued its activities throughout the year. Several interesting meetings dealing primarily with ethical problems of girls were taken up.

MUSIC

Glee club, chorus, orchestra, and Music Appreciation provide the fine arts touch through music to our students. Music has played a very important part in the life of our students and more and more demand for an expression through music is being made by the students of this school. The orchestra has increased in size from the first year of its induction and if ample opportunity is provided locally the orchestra should become more proficient and important. The Alton Community Orchestra has been very effective in making our young people conscious of the pleasure and satisfaction that may be derived from music. The chorus group has functioned on several occasions during the past year and has been a credit to their instructor. The Orchestra which was organized during the last school year performed at nearly all school activities, most notably was the graduation program for 1938.

ATHLETICS

During the spring of 1938, four schools in this section formed a league known as the Southeastern league. Alton High is a member of this league. The purpose of the league is to foster a program of Athletic activity which may at some future date include enough forms of competition to embrace every boy and girl in every school. At present the league is making progress by sponsoring a schedule in baseball and basketball. There are more schools who are waiting to join the league and no doubt will be given an official invitation at the next league meeting.

Last winter Alton High sponsored its third annual winter carnival. Nine high schools were invited and seven accepted by sending an official team.

Baseball in the spring of 1938 proved to be of high interest among the boys in the school. Through it they gained valuable experience, and enjoyed an opportunity to participate in competitive play.

During the fall of this present school year outdoor basketball, touch football, softball, and regulation baseball have been enjoyed by both boys and girls. However, there is a tremendous need for leadership and equipment sufficient to enable every pupil within the school to learn the rudiments of games and have an opportunity to play in some form of competitive sports.

At the present time the basketball team is experiencing a very successful start for its season activity. The eighteen boys, which is approximately half of the total number of boys in the school, are enjoying an opportunity to meet and compete with boys from other localities in good wholesome recreation.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

The health program of the school is capably handled by the school nurse, Miss Langille. It is commendable that an attempt to establish a dental clinic for this school is in progress and the nurse's records would indicate that such is needed very badly.

This school still continues the practice of requiring each pupil from the ninth through the twelfth grade to make at least one public appearance each year and speak either extemporaneously or from memory. Programs have been planned and held this past year in the main room of the Central school, and the public has been invited.

The second annual prize-speaking contest was held during the past year. The program was planned and directed through the English classes and proved to be highly successful. A small admission fee was charged; the money received by such was distributed for prizes and assisted in defraying the expenses of our competitors at the State contest in Durham. Generous-minded friends of the school also contributed to this fund.

The annual Senior play, the proceeds from which help defray graduation expenses of the Senior Class, has

its cast selected from the whole school and hence gives our students some opportunity to express themselves through dramatics.

During the fall term of this year a Hi-Y Club was formed among the Junior and Senior boys of the school. The purpose of the club is to band boys together to stand for "clean living, clean speech, clean sports, and clean scholarship." The Freshman and Sophomore boys will be voted into membership as soon as they attain Junior class standing. Already the service committee of this club has found means to function by supervising the management of all home basketball games. It is hoped that parents will acquaint themselves with the importance of this particular club and give it the moral support in the home which is necessary for future success.

IMPROVEMENTS

It is quite unnecessary to comment at large as to the success of the new heating plant which has been made possible through the efforts of the citizens of Alton, the school board, and superintendent. The advantage of having continuous even heat at all times and in all rooms insures pupil comfort and considerably less absence from colds.

The students in the school are highly elated over the addition of a one-hundred service set of dishes which has so recently been purchased. These dishes will be used for the first time at a father-son banquet and induction ceremony for Hi-Y club members on January the twenty-third. Plans are already under way for two mother-daughter banquets in the early spring.

The machine equipment of the manual-training shop has been increased by the addition of a wood and metal lathe. The advantages derived from this lathe are many, for it enables the students to produce a great variety of products which are of more permanent value.

The addition of thirty copies of Webster's dictionaries recently purchased will be of help to the teachers in English. It is now possible for instruction to be carried on with each pupil having a dictionary at his command during the class period.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is my belief that those most closely connected with any enterprise should be the primary instigators in proposing changes which should be made to more suit-

ably adapt the enterprise to its purpose. Therefore, I am proposing a change which I feel should be made in the educational enterprise of this town. I have served in my present capacity for over three years. I have watched the enrollment of this school closely; I have spent much time in debate as to whether this school was adequately operating so that the needs of the community might be met. Recognizing that the school in any community, should be organized so that the greatest number of pupils in the school might receive the greatest amount of benefit based upon local needs, I feel that my recommendation is in order although no action may be forthcoming for a period of time.

I propose that our present program of studies be adapted to include a manual training course for boys in the high school. We are at present adequately equipped to procede as far as the tools and machinery are concerned. The course should include such studies as mechanical drawing, shop mathematics, shop English, electrical wiring, plumbing, concrete construction, and possibly in time metal lathe work. This course as well as Agriculture and Home Economics could be Federal subsidized and hence the salary of a teacher would be approximately cut in half. During the past few months at least four pupils have dropped out of high school because the present program offers no inducement for them along the lines of their interests. There are other pupils who are staying in school that are as eager to pursue a course as outlined above as were those who dropped out under stress of too much academic pressure. Our school program of studies should be increasing in scope sufficiently to take care of those who wish to continue in vocational work. At present the stress seems to be placed upon preparing students for colleges and not all pupils are college-bound. I trust that some thought and consideration may be given to this proposal for I believe those pupils so minded ought to be given some assistance for future security.

(b) Report of School Nurse

The health of the Alton pupils has been very good this year with little sickness except a few cases of chicken-pox this winter.

Several pupils have had physical defects corrected this year in school clinics. Four were operated upon for tonsils and adenoids in the Wolfeboro hospital, thanks to Dr. Tuttle's generosity. Three children have had special work done on their ears for defective hearing and two were fitted to glasses in school clinics.

The greatest need at the present time is for a dental clinic. Only 15% of the Alton pupils were able to have dental work done last year by private means. Eighty-five per cent had nothing done. In a survey made to ascertain the wishes of the parents in this matter, about 80 pupils have signed up as interested in such a clinic. About 50% of these are able to pay for the work at clinic rates; 34% are unable to pay for the work but greatly desire it; and 16% can pay part of the cost. It is not possible to organize such a clinic without sponsors, but the Parent's club and the Alton Woman's club are interested and are working on plans towards the successful completion of the large project.

The hot lunch program for all pupils needing it is being continued this year. This is proving a most welcome addition to the school health program. In connection with this, the drinking of milk is being encouraged and a mid-morning lunch of milk is served to some of the children who do not have lunch at school.

Following will be found a statistical report of the work done in the Alton schools last year:

Visits to schools	147
Visits to homes	266
Total visits	413
Days spent	35.8
Days due	35
Pupils examined	216
Defects found	193—.8 per pupil
Defects corrected	73—37% of defects
Without defects	107—49% of pupils

I wish at this time to thank parents teachers, and all those who have been so cooperative in their interest in the health of the Alton school children.

(c) Transportation

Transporter	Mileage One Way	Number Carried		Contract	Extra for H. S. Pupils
Arthur I. Martin	15 mi.	8	18	\$950.00	\$82.00
Russell M. Miller	14.8 mi.	2	13	950.00	30.00
Alphonse Tanguay	14 mi.	6	12	500.00	43.00
Roy E. Read	6 mi.	1	1		100.00
Albert D. Morse	10.8 mi.	1	6	550.00	50.00
Helen F. Bickford	4.2 mi.	0	1	36.00	
Lester F. Downing	21 mi.	14	20	1,100.00	95.00
Totals		32	70	\$4,086.00	\$400.00

PART VIII

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 1939-40

1939

September 4—Labor Day.

September 5—Schools open.

October 19-20—N. H. State Teachers' Convention at
Keene (Teachers may attend.)

November 6-12—Education Week.

November 30-December 3—Thanksgiving Recess—Schools
closed.

December 22—Schools close for Christmas Recess.

1940

January 8—Schools open.

February 16—Schools close.

February 26—Schools open.

April 19—Schools close

April 29—Schools open.

May ?—Strafford County Teachers' Institute (Teachers
may attend.)

May 30—Memorial Day—Schools closed.

June 14—Schools close.

PART IX

DEFINITION OF OFFICIAL BALLOT

The official ballot for the 1939 annual school district meeting shall be white paper, one and one-half by four inches in size.

PART X**WARRANT FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING****STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the school district in the town of Alton qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the eighteenth day of March 1939, at one-thirty o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1. To choose a moderator for the coming year.

Article 2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.

Article 3. To choose a member of the school board for the ensuing three years.

Article 4. To choose a treasurer for the ensuing year.

Article 5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the school board and truant officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the district.

Article 6. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

Article 7. To choose agents, auditors and committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

Article 8. To see if the district will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the district, as determined by the school board in its annual report.

Article 9. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for new equipment.

Article 10. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Alton this sixteenth day of February 1939.

HARRY E. JONES,
OLIVER R. SHATTUCK,
ANNIE C. SANBORN,

School Board.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY E. JONES,
OLIVER R. SHATTUCK,
ANNIE C. SANBORN,

School Board.

LESTER B. BADGER,
Superintendent of Schools.

Pittsfield, N. H., February 17, 1939.

